

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****Applicant(s):** Hiroshi Yoshikawa et al. **Examiner:** Michael P. Alexander**Application No.:** 10/636,150 **Confirmation No.:** 1804**Filed:** August 7, 2003 **Group Art Unit:** 1742**For:** **METHOD AND DEVICE FOR FORMING A DYNAMIC PRESSURE-GENERATING GROOVE IN A FLUID DYNAMIC PRESSURE BEARING**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to the Restriction Requirement of October 7, 2005 for the above-identified patent application.

FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS☒ A fee for additional claims is not required.☐ A fee for additional claims is required.

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
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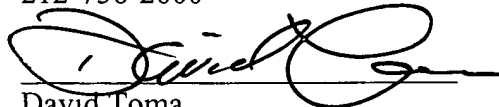
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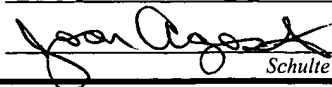
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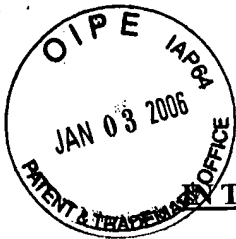
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated October 7, 2005, Applicants hereby submit the following:

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS are reflected under the heading Listing of Claims, beginning on page 2 of this paper.

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION begins on page 4 of this paper.

AMENDMENT TO THE DRAWINGS begin on page 12 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 13 of this paper.